

## **Livestock Facility Siting**

## **Permit Options - Conditional Use or Licensing**

Local governments have options about how to adopt permit requirements to site individual livestock facilities. Counties and towns with zoning can adopt a conditional use permit requirement in their zoning codes. This option provides the most land use control. Counties and towns without zoning, or with a mixture of zoned and unzoned towns, have the option of adopting a licensing permit. The licensing permit requires that applicants meet the siting standards, but would not have any location restrictions that would apply with zoning. Towns must have village powers to adopt a licensing permit requirement.

Issue	Zoning (Conditional Use Permit)	Licensing or Operating Permit
Control land use and development?	Yes	No
Grandfather lower threshold (below 500 AU)?	Yes	No
Who does it apply to?	Only applies in zoned areas	Applies across jurisdiction (town or county)
Consistent operating standards for large livestock facilities?	Yes	Yes

For more information about livestock facility siting please contact 608-224-4613.